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Sir/Madam:

Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 120, the Applicants hereby confirm their claim to the benefit of filing of International PCT Application No. PCT/CA2003/001489 filed on September 18, 2003 and designating the United States of America, as stated in the "Substitute Declaration and Power of Attorney" filed concurrently herewith.

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Please note that a Response to the Office Action mailed December 10, 2004 is being filed concurrently herewith, in which the specification is amended in order to add a specific reference to the earlier filed International PCT Application.

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